

put under the user's index finger, that the switch 80 is non-accessible to the user's thumb when the mouse is held in the user's palm as intended.


Therefore, claim 7 patentably distinguishes over the art of record. While the Examiner might contend that it is obvious to do what is in the claimed invention, certainly the cited reference directly and explicitly teaches away. Thus, a reference cannot be relied upon to teach what the reference directly says not to do.

Therefore, reconsideration of the rejection of claim 7 is respectfully requested.

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